

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR B

December 20, 2020

TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS: Samuel 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16; Psalm 89:2-5, 27, 29; Romans 16:25-27; Luke 1:26-38.

Theme: David's posterity shall endure forever. His kingship finds its fulfillment in the son of Mary, Jesus the Christ. To him be glory and praise forever.

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION OF MASS: Per Baltimore City issued guidelines, attendance is limited to **25% of the seating capacity**. **WE CAN ACCOMMODATE 74 WORSHIPPERS.** Attendees are required to wear face masks at masses. Seating guidelines, social distancing, interior walking routes, and guidelines for the reception of Holy Communion are to be observed. If you don't feel well, or are uncomfortable about attending Mass at this time, you have been granted a dispensation. God bless you.

MASS SCHEDULE: Saturdays - 4 p.m.; Sundays - 9:45 a.m.; Tuesday thru Friday - 8:30 am (Chapel).

We urge all parishioners to return to our community masses ASAP. Come, receive the Living Word.

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING...

- ❖ **PLANNING TO MARRY?** Arrangements should be made per the Parish Office at least six months in advance.
- ❖ **INFANT BAPTISM:** Baptism Preparation Conferences are required of parents and god-parents. To make arrangements contact the Parish Office at 410-542-0445 or e-mail: office@naschurch.org.
- ❖ **ILL, HOME-BOUND, in the hospital or unable to attend Mass?** Please notify the Church office so that contact can be made for visits and reception of the sacraments.
- ❖ **MEDICAL EMERGENCIES:** Entering the hospital for a medical procedure? "Anointing of the Sick" may be administered prior to medical procedures. Contact the Parish office or see clergy.

▪ A recording of the **New All Saints SUNDAY LITURGY OF THE WORD** is available at: [MyParish App](#). Use the "Homilies" button.

▪ Access www.archbalt.org, to view **Live Mass recorded at the Cathedral of Mary our Queen celebrated by Archbishop Lori at 11 a.m. Sundays.** Watch on Channel 11.2 TV, on Comcast Channel 208, and FIOS on Channel 460. The Masses are re-aired on WCBM-680 AM, at 7 p.m. every Sunday.

▪ Receive **NAS WEDNESDAY REFLECTIONS ON THE SACRED WORD.** Go to: My parish App; use the [Homilies](#) button.

▪ View the **NAS Weekly Bulletin** at: MyParish App. Use the bulletin button at www.NASChurch.org.

CHRISTMAS LITURGY SCHEDULE

12/24: **Christmas Eve Concert:** 4:00 p.m.

Christmas Vigil Mass: 4:30 p.m.

"The Nativity of the Lord"

12/25: **Christmas Day Mass:** 10:00 a.m.

"The Nativity of the Lord"

12/26: **Sunday Vigil Mass:** 4:00 p.m.

"The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph"

12/27: **Sunday Mass:** 9:45 a.m.

"The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph"

12/31: **New Year's Eve Vigil Mass:** 4:00 p.m.

"The Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God"

01/01: **New Year's Day Mass:** 10:00 a.m.

"The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God"

"SHUT-IN" PARISHIONERS: William Baker; Sandra Brice; William Garrett; Eula Gray; Susie Harding; Bernadette Leeds; Anita Parker; Maxima Shay.

PARISHIONERS IN NURSING HOMES AND HOSPITALS: Barbara Bess (*Paradise Assisted Living*); Franklin Fitzgerald (*Lorien Mays Chapel*); Ivy Harris (*Brookdale Asst. Living, Pikesville*); Doris Johnson (*Future Care Cherrywood, Reisterstown*); Sr. Mary Margarita Musquera, OSP, (*St. Elizabeth Rehab*).

"AILING" PARISHIONERS: Rhaiyanna Allen; Vickie Barry; Marie Brown; Sylvia Buchanan; Joseph Campbell; Charles Coates; Christine Coates; Elvard Cooper; Belinda Cornish; Loretta Davis; Margaret Fernandez; William "Bill" Fields; Sandra Fowlks; Carolyn Gray; Shirley Johnson; Charles Griffin; Eleanor Hairston; Jeanette Hall; Lora Hargrove; Shirley Hargrove; Barbara Harris; Martha Henley; Donna Hunter; Margaret Hunter; Catherine Johnson; Shirley Johnson; Toba King; Aubrey Knox; Gwendolyn Lindsay; Charlotte Malinowski; Genevieve Massey; Denise Matthews; Alvin Moore; Emily Moore; Betty Morton; Marcia Morton; Ruth Payne; Marion Russell; Loristine Sheppard; Theresa Sisco; Donald Smith; Frances Smith; Jerry Stamper; Donald H. Stokes, Sr.; Carla Thompson; Margaret Wallace; Gerald White, Sr.; Gerald White, Jr.; Wanda White; Elizabeth Williams.

SICK FAMILY & FRIENDS: Francine Allen; Carolyn Campbell; Audrey Carter; Carolyn Carter; Judith Daniel; Marvin Dawkins; Fabian Desbordes; Dwight Gross; Vera & Lawrence Hall; Dennis Hamlin; Michelle Humphrey; Kaneez Fantima Isfahani; Donald Jackson; Benjamin Jones; Constantia Jones; Shelley Jones; Robin Martin; Raymond E. Matthews; Bertha White-

Planning to come to Mass? CHECK YOUR HEALTH CONDITION! *If you have a fever, or are sick, or suspect that you may have been exposed to a contagious illness, please stay home and take care of yourself. If you are awaiting test results for COVID-19 or any contagious illness, do not come to the parish campus, whether or not you have symptoms.* Thank you. *NAS Healthcare Committee.*

May; Josephine McCoy; Zahara Moor; Karen Moore; Angeline Mosby; Robert Quarles; Teresita Simms; Irene Shelton; Adia Y. Stokes; Jacobi K. Stokes; Sue Tiggie; Harriet Tribble; Barbara Wade; Isabella Walker; Stephanie Walker; Betty Whidby; Jerome White

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

12/19 Roddell Johnson; Kyle Morgan;
Ernest Wells
12/20 Christine Warren
12/21 Jayden Caruth; Harold Huggins;
Alan Kelly; Genevieve Massey;
Zarioan Richardson; Samuel Spriggs
12/22 Alisa Ireland; Royal Stewart
12/23 Kelley Kelly; Randall Martin;
Samantha Richardson
12/24 Bernette Downs; Shirley Smith
12/25 Vanessa Chaplin; Shirley Hargrove;
Sharon Wong

The 2021 Offertory Envelopes are available for pick-up at the Rectory on Monday, December 21st & 28th and Wednesday, December 23rd & 30th between the hours of 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Should you request your envelopes to be mailed, please contact the Rectory at 410-542-0445.

N.B Do not use these envelopes for the 2020 calendar year. Thank you.

In compliance to Government Guidelines in the Archdiocese of Baltimore church offices are not considered “essential businesses” and must be closed to the public and remain closed until this restriction is lifted by the State of Maryland. Accordingly, NAS Church Office is closed until further notice. However, if you do need to contact the church office, please call 410-542-0445 and leave a brief message with your questions or concerns. We will get back to you as quickly as possible.

To leave a message... for Gloria Herndon press #136; Joyce Davis press #117; Candyce Hill press #116; Fr. Donald Sterling press #133. Response times may be a little longer than normal. *Stay Safe!*

CHURCH OFFERINGS. We respectfully and strongly encourage parishioners to continue to support our church during this pandemic period.

(1) **DROP-OFF** your church offerings to the church rectory by hand (4408 Liberty Heights Ave) any day or time of the week. Drop your offering into the rectory side door mail slot. (*The door facing the church building; look for hand rails*).

(2) **SEND** tithes via the US Postal Service to the Church Office (*address listed above*).

(3) **Make your offertory contributions ONLINE.**

Go to: www.archbalt.org/giving.

A. Go to the “GIVING TAB”. Click on “Donate”.

B. Select: “**NAS (1208)**” as the parish you want to support.

C. Complete the “myparish” offering information.

D. Please remember to include your envelope # for proper credit. You will need your bank or credit card account information.

E. Submit your offering.

F. Print a copy for your records. *Thank you.*

If you have paid your offerings on-line to the Archdiocese of Baltimore, please know that NAS has received your offering. A list is sent to each Parish for recording your offerings from the Archdiocese. It is important that you select the correct Parish and your envelope number for correct processing.

We sincerely thank you for your continued support.

May God bless you and protect you. Amen.

UPDATE YOUR NAS CHURCH SOCIAL MEDIA CONTACT INFORMATION. Parishioners receive information via the phone, email and text from NASNotify the broadcast message system and Flocknote. Has your information changed? Update your communication preferences and contact information. Email: NASChurchCC@gmail.com. Include ministries that you are affiliated with.

NAS St. Vincent DePaul Ministry regrets it will not be able to conduct its Annual “Christmas Giving Tree Project”. With the surge of COVID19, it is felt that it will not be safe. *We look forward to your support in 2021.*

View Weekly Church Bulletins at www.NASChurch.org or My Parish app. *Download the “MyParish App” from the App Store or the Google Play Store to your smart phone or tablet. Note: Email and text links are sent to NAS Parishioners who have provided their email address or text number. If you know of anyone who would like to receive NAS Church email updates, please ask them to send their email address to naschurchcc@gmail.com.

Pope Francis’ PRAYER TO MARY DURING CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus’ pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of Your people, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we, who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

4th Sunday of Advent Reflection: “How Can This Be?” Words of a visiting angel: Do not be afraid; God has this plan; you are full of grace. Mary speaks aloud what we all are thinking: “How can this be?” God makes it possible because God makes us holy! What should I stop fearing? What is God’s plan for me just for this day? What will I do this week as God’s holy person that benefits someone else?

NAS Rectory Office will be closed on Friday, Christmas Day and Friday, New Year’s Day.